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### DR. HURSE AT ALLEN CHAPEL SUNDAY



**LIEUTENANT J. EDGAR DIBBLE, M. D.**  
Recently commissioned Lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, one of Kansas City's most prominent and successful physicians and a gentleman of recognized worth and integrity in this community. Dr. Dibble is a veteran of the Spanish-American war and saw service in Cuba. The race is proud of his appointment, and is fully satisfied that if given an opportunity to go to the front he will demonstrate that he possesses medical skill and intellectual ability equalled by few in the government service.

#### The Richest Negro Girl in the World Now Lives Here

Many may not know, but nevertheless it is true, that Sarah Rector, 14 years of age, reputed to be the wealthiest Negro girl in America, lives in this city and is now a student at the Attucks School, Prof. W. H. Harrison, principal. Her parents, quiet and plain honest people, who were fortunate in owning various tracts of land in Oklahoma that have been among the greatest oil producers in the world and the income of the family is something like \$400 per day, while the income from the tract owned by Miss Sarah averages a little more than \$275 per day. There are three other children besides Sarah who are attending the Attucks School, and they are all quiet, mannerly and neat in their appearance and deportment. Sarah is worth several hundred thousand dollars and her money has been invested until now she owns four square blocks of the most valuable property in Muskogee. The family is temporarily residing at 1735 Paseo, but expects to purchase a modern and spacious home here in the near future. We would have been pleased to have given to our readers a photograph of Miss Sarah, but on account of her extreme modesty we have been unable to obtain one, but hope to do so in the near future.



**REV. W. C. WILLIAMS,**  
the popular pastor of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, who rounds out six years of magnificent labor with this splendid congregation and who on the eve of departing for Conference is reported quite ill.

#### MASS MEETING.

A Union Labor Mass Meeting will be held Sunday, October 7, at 3 p. m. at the Friendship Baptist Church, 17th and Tracy, Rev. G. W. Boyd, pastor. Addresses will be made by Lawyer Knox, Houston, Dr. Unthank, Prof. W. H. Harrison, Miss Olden and Miss Lillian Partee. All welcome.

#### COLORED NURSES FOR U. S. ARMY

Colored registered nurses throughout the country are in receipt of information from the Red Cross headquarters at Washington that a Government Base Hospital will be established at Des Moines, Iowa, in connection with the training camp for colored troops. About 150 nurses will be selected for service.

#### NEGRO SOLDIER PROBLEM.

(From Wednesday's Kansas City Journal.)

There has been a singularly ill-advised handling of the Negro soldiers ever since the mobilization of the American forces began. Numerous "race riots" and outbreaks of greater or less seriousness have occurred as a result of quartering Negro regulars in communities where race prejudice might naturally have been expected to result in friction, if nothing worse. These occurrences, however, appear to have been controlled, and there have been no special reasons for complaint for some time.

But the wrong lesson appears to have been learned by the government's military authorities from these occurrences. Ever since the registered forces have been in process of selection under the new law there has been evinced a seeming disposition to ignore the Negroes as prospective units of the new national army, with the result that a two-fold injustice has been worked. In the first place, white men who would not have been called for months, in all probability, have been "advanced" in the lists while the Negroes have been held back. Let it not be understood that considerations of race or color should operate to relieve white men of any obligations which are entailed upon them as citizens or available soldiers, or that Negroes, because they are Negroes, should be sent to places of danger ahead of white men. That is not the fundamental principle involved. Before the law all are equal in the matter of responsibility. But wholly unnecessary and wholly avoidable dissatisfaction is being caused by this injustice which is being wrought in the case of the white men who are sent to the training camps, while Negroes are held back by order of the authorities.

There is also an unnecessary injustice wrought upon the tens of thousands of willing Negroes who ought to take their places in the ranks but who are deprived of that privilege. They are being placed in the position of men who are either unwilling to assume the responsibilities of citizenship or who are not regarded as worthy of assuming the burdens falling upon all alike. Either assumption is unjust.

In view of prejudices which exist and which cannot be consistently ignored, the problem of the Negro soldier will not be solved by promiscuous mingling of the two races, and certainly not by sending white soldiers alone while Negroes are held at home. There is no apparent reason why several divisions of Negroes should not be formed, officered mainly by men of their own race, within the regulations prescribed. There is no reason why these Negro soldiers should not be trained at one or more training camps devoted exclusively to soldiers of their race. The same fundamental results would be secured without the friction and dissatisfaction which have already been caused.

Under proper conditions the Negroes might give as good an account of themselves as soldiers of the white race and they should be allowed the opportunity of doing so. If it is not considered an opportunity by all of the available Negro soldiers, they should be required to assume the duty devolving upon them as such. They must be credited, however, with having shown as yet no disposition to shirk these duties and responsibilities and they should be invested with their proportionate share of the burdens of membership in the national forces.

#### TWINS FOR THE FOURTH TIME.

Monroe, La.—For the fourth time lex and Amanda Wade have had the pleasure of welcoming into their family twins. Wade is a tenant farmer on the Stubbs estate in Ouachita parish, and he views the fourth coming with no utter surprise. He has learned to use the term, "another set," with ease and fashion. Some record, eight babies, and all born in four births.

Mrs. Hannah F. Hutson of 1701 East 19th street has returned after a delightful seven weeks' visit to Chicago, Ill. She was royally entertained during her stay.

#### ROOSEVELT.

By Roscoe C. Jamison.

I have not reached the heights I sought,  
In fame, nor earthly treasure.  
I have not sung with winged thought,  
Nor rhymed with perfect measure,  
And yet kind Fate has brought to me  
A joy most deeply felt;  
A king of men was here today—  
And I saw Roosevelt!

He stood within a sheltered place,  
Without vast crowds were surging,  
Grown used to slights for darkened face,  
Perhaps I needed urging,  
For when he saw me he stepped forth  
And smiled—I could have knelt—  
And man to man I grasped the hand—  
The hand of Roosevelt!

"All men up, and no man down—"  
These grand words he was saying,  
"Let men be men, black, white, or brown!"  
The brass bands all were playing,  
When I did turn as from a mount  
On which Old Wonder dwelt,  
My soul was bursting with the shout—  
"Thank God for Roosevelt!"

#### CHARGE NEGRO WITH SEDITION.

Springfield, Ill.—James E. Henderson, well known Negro physician, was arrested by United States Marshal Dallman on a charge of sending seditious matter through the mails.

Editor's Note.—Dr. Henderson was formerly a physician of this city and was prominent in civic affairs during his residence here.

#### SEVEN BROTHERS IN 15TH N. Y. REGIMENT.

Camp Upton, L. I.—A unique feature of the Fifteenth regiment and on which it claims a record is the presence of seven brothers. Six of them are here at Camp Upton and the seventh is with the other battalion. Their name is Fowler and their parents live in Glen Cove. They are Benjamin, Jr., 36; John, 34; Richard, 28; Howard, 26; Roy, 22, and George, 18.

#### REV. J. W. HURSE, D. D.,

the popular pastor of St. Stephen's Baptist Church

will preach at Allen Chapel, 10th and Charlotte streets, Sunday afternoon, October 7th, at 3 o'clock. Preliminary song service by his excellent choir commencing at 2:45 p. m. Madame Sarah Lee Hammett, director. The minister will preach at the morning service.

#### LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION

Monthly Free Musical Concert

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 7, 3:00 O'CLOCK

Lincoln High School Auditorium  
19th and Tracy.

#### PROGRAM.

1. Overture, "Poet and Peasant".....Von Suppe  
Lincoln High School Orchestra.
2. Piano Solo, "Polonaise".....McDowell  
Miss Bulah Douglass.
3. Vocal Solo, "Dear Heart I Love".....Royle  
Miss Eva Moore.
4. Soprano Solo, "Two Roses".....Selected  
Mrs. Effie Grant-Hardy.
5. Baritone Solo, "At Dawning".....Cadman  
Mr. Charles S. Smith.
6. Contralto Solo, "Two Roses".....Gilberte  
Miss Anna L. Smith.
7. Cornet Solo, "Deep River".....Burleigh  
Mr. William Washington and Orchestra.
8. Tenor Solo, "The Young Warrior".....Burleigh  
Prof. T. Y. Reynolds.
9. Quartet (from) "Rigoletto".....Verdi  
Mrs. Hardy, Miss Smith, Prof. Reynolds and Major Smith.
10. March, "Lincoln High School Cadets".....Smith  
Orchestra.

"Star Spangled Banner".....Orchestra and Audience  
J. R. E. LEE, Principal.  
MAJOR N. CLARK SMITH, Director.

#### TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We were compelled to cut 420 names from our subscription list last week and we are going over our out-of-town lists of subscribers with the expectation of cutting out a few more next week and we can only say to them the only way to get The Sun is to pay what you owe. At the same time we desire to thank those 6,000 loyal readers of The Sun who have honestly met their obligations and who are

helping us make this the best Negro paper in the West.

#### MASONIC HONOR.

The honor of being the first lodge to respond to the Grand Master's special assessment levied upon the lodges of the Missouri jurisdiction goes to Dixon Lodge, No. 11, at Lexington, Mo. It is sincerely hoped that every lodge will have responded during the month of October.



**FORTUNE J. WEAVER,**

who has distinguished himself by pioneering in three business enterprises and never having a failure, being the first Negro to venture into these lines of business—Real Estate, Investment and Employment Co. combined. Florist shop and automobile training school for Negroes exclusively.

#### SHOT IN OPEN COURT.

Negro on Trial in Judge Latshaw's Court Shot by Wife of Policeman He Killed.

As the dramatic climax to the trial of William D. Jones, a Negro, who came here from Texas several months ago, charged with the murder of Arthur N. Dorsett, a city detective, the widow, Mrs. Anna Dorsett, rose from a chair among the spectators in the criminal court room at 5:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon and fired a shot at Jones. The bullet entered the Negro's left side under the shoulder, but, deflected by the bone, it followed a course under the skin and lodged six inches from where it entered. He was not seriously wounded.

Witnesses said that Mrs. Dorsett took the pistol, a 38-caliber weapon, from the folds of her handkerchief, arose from her chair and leveled the gun at the Negro, who was seated at the counsel table. Before anyone could stop her she fired.

"I am avenged," she said.

Mrs. Helen Scharfer, a sister of Dorsett, who sat next to her, said: "Get him again."

But before she had an opportunity to fire a second shot, Joseph Stewart, a deputy marshal, rushed to her and took the gun from her hand. He said he was compelled to use force and that the sister sought to get possession of the pistol ahead of him.

Court automatically adjourned for several minutes, and the hearing proceeded. I. M. Lee, state's attorney, closed the arguments for the state and the instructions were read by the court. The jury retired to consider its verdict. It returned thirty minutes later with a verdict of guilty, carrying with it a prison sentence of fifty years.

With the firing of the shot by Mrs. Dorsett the court room was thrown into an uproar.

Judge Latshaw beat a hasty retreat behind his bench. He later admitted that he thought it safer there.

"I was not particularly afraid of Mrs. Dorsett, because I knew that she was too sure a shot," Judge Latshaw said. "What I feared was that the second woman, who had mounted a chair, would get possession of the gun and that she might have taken offense at some of the rulings of the court."

#### CLOSING SERVICES.

Bethel A. M. E. Church.  
The Pastor, Rev. F. D. Wells, and members of Bethel A. M. E. Church, 24th and Flora, will hold their closing services for the Conference year throughout the day Sunday, October 7, 1917. In the afternoon at 3 p. m. The Rev. Wm. Alpin of the Christian



**REV. F. D. WELLS.**

Church, 24th and Woodland, will preach for us. Also the Choir of the Christian Church will furnish music. The Rev. R. Davis and his good people of the Centennial M. E. Church have been invited and are expected to be with us. At 8 p. m., Rev. Wells will preach the closing sermon for the year. The generous public are cordially invited.

#### TO REPRESENT U. S. NEGROES.

Emmet J. Scott to Help War Department, Baker Announces.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Interests of the Nation's 10 million negroes are to be represented at the War Department during the war by Emmet J. Scott, eighteen years confidential secretary of the late Booker T. Washington. His appointment as a special assistant was announced today by Secretary Baker.

Note.—The appointment of Mr. Scott will meet the approval of every Negro in America because he has demonstrated he is one of the safest, sanest and most competent leaders the race has had in recent years.